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Allen Dulles Scans Communist Fight

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Communism fears "the inherent power of religious faith" more than anything else, Allen W. Dulles, director of the Central Intelligence Agency, said here.

Mr. Dulles, brother of Secretary of State John Foster Dulles, substituted for President Eisenhower at the laying of a cornerstone for the restored Georgetown Presbyterian Church.

The original cornerstone of the church was laid by President Monroe in 1821. The cornerstone for the edifice now being renovated was placed by President Grant in 1871.

President Eisenhower had accepted an invitation to lay the new stone but was unable to do so because of his recent illness. He asked Mr. Dulles, a Presbyterian elder, to conduct the ceremony in his place. The President sent a message of congratulations to the congregation which was read at the service.

Mr. Dulles said the task of the United States in curbing the aggression of world communism today is similar to the situation that faced President Monroe when he sought to protect the Western Hemisphere from European colonialism.

Although communism controls great areas of land, the CIA director noted, "this dictatorship has not taken over great areas of mind in the world, or in its own homeland destroyed the innate love of peace."

He said the role of the church in the present crisis is to develop the religious faith on which human freedom is based.